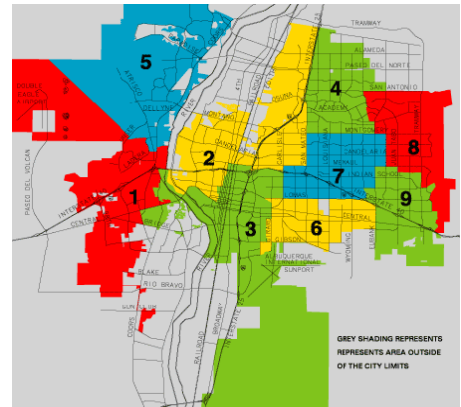


# COUNCIL SERVICES

Council Services provides support services to the Albuquerque City Council. City Council is the governing body charged with setting long-term goals and short-term objectives, enacting policy, adopting a budget for the operations of city government, and coordinating with other agencies. Albuquerque is divided into nine districts. Each district is represented by one Councillor elected by district residents. Councillors serve a four-year term and may succeed themselves in office. Each candidate for Councillor must be a resident of the District prior to the date of filing of the declaration of candidacy and a qualified voter of the City.

The Council has the power to adopt all ordinances, resolutions or other legislation conducive to the welfare of the people of the city and not inconsistent with the city charter, and shall not perform any executive functions except those functions assigned to the Council by the charter.

Council meetings are open to the public and are conducted on a regular basis. Council establishes and adopts by ordinance or resolution five-year goals and one-year objectives. These goals and objectives are reviewed and revised annually by the Council. They also review and approve or amend all budgets of the City and adopt policies, plans, programs and legislation consistent with established goals and objectives.



Operating Fund Expenditures by Category (\$000's)	ACTUAL FY/04	ORIGINAL BUDGET FY/05	REVISED BUDGET FY/05	ESTIMATED ACTUAL FY/05	APPROVED BUDGET FY/06	APPR 06/ EST ACT 05 CHG
Personnel	1,289	1,533	1,533	1,440	1,745	305
Operating	200	327	584	626	328	(298)
Capital	28	0	0	0	0	0
Transfers	19	31	31	31	32	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,536</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>2,148</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL FULL-TIME POSITIONS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>

## BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

The adopted FY/06 budget includes an 11.3% increase over the FY/05 approved budget. A large part of this growth is due to the addition of three intra-year positions. The Department funded one senior administrative assistant and two council budget policy analysts for \$216 thousand. Technical adjustments accounted for the remainder of the increase in the department

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### PROGRAM STRATEGY SUMMARY BY GOAL:

#### GOAL 8: GOVERNMENTAL EXCELLENCE AND EFFECTIVENESS

##### GENERAL FUND - 110

Council Services	1,536	1,891	2,148	2,097	2,105	8
<b>TOTAL GOAL - 8</b>	<b>1,536</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>2,148</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>1,536</b>	<b>1,891</b>	<b>2,148</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>8</b>

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## ***PRIOR YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS***

- Adopted Impact Fees pursuant to the State Development Fees Act.
- Adopted the Accountability in Government Ordinance and established the position of Inspector General and the position of the Director of the Office of Internal Audit and Investigations.
- Adopted legislation that prevented the posting of illegal commercial handbills in public places.
- Amended the spray paint ordinance to include glass etching cream, restricting its location in stores and prohibiting its purchase by minors.
- Placed certain restrictions on the sale of ephedrine to prevent its use in manufacturing methamphetamine.
- Adopted the Huning Highland-East Downtown Urban Conservation Overlay Zone with mixed use zones and urban design standards to facilitate the redevelopment of the East Central area.
- Adopted an ordinance to prohibit cockfighting in the City limits.
- Adopted an ordinance to address dangerous dogs.
- Adopted revised fire and building codes.
- Authorized the update of the Nob Hill Sector Development Plan.
- Adopted a “cap and replace” law for billboards, and adopted another law to prohibit the advertising of alcoholic beverages near schools and other property where children are present.
- Revised the street excavation and barricading ordinance.
- Required “nuisance prevention agreements” for liquor establishments in certain areas in the City.
- Adopted a vacation and sick leave policy for City employees on active military duty.
- Amended the Public Purchases ordinance regarding surplus property and the determination of the non-responsiveness of contractors.
- Created a computer recycling program.
- Sent a voter photo identification requirement and a public financing proposal to the voters.
- Adopted restrictions on cruising.
- Adopted a revised Parade ordinance.
- Initiated a Bus Rapid Transit Study on Coors Boulevard.
- Established a Pedestrian Critical Management area for the streets adjacent to the sports facilities on Stadium Boulevard.
- Created a City Forest and Forester Ordinance and established a City Forester position.
- Contracted with the Sirolli Institute to create a community based entrepreneurship program in redevelopment neighborhoods.
- Participated in the creation of a low income community-based business incubator by WESST Corporation.
- Funded and helped create two community development organizations in the West Central Metropolitan Redevelopment Area.
- Completed the Community Schools program study in partnership with the Albuquerque Public Schools and the County of Bernalillo.
- Undertook a community design workshop for the Old Indian School property with nationally recognized planning, design and transportation planning firms to create a mixed use community center.

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- Completed Phase I of the Volcano Heights Plan to create a well-planned, mixed use community in the Volcano Cliffs/Volcano Heights area adjacent to the Petroglyph National Park. The planning project will create a new employment center to balance jobs and housing and reduce the impacts on the street network.
- Funded neighborhood plan updates for the Nob Hill and Barelás communities.
- Funded a corridor design study for Wyoming between San Mateo and Morris.
- Created and funded a Bus Rapid Transit “queue jumper” system to alleviate traffic congestion on Coors Blvd.
- Funded the expansion of the West Side Community Center and a new gym for the Thomas Bell Community Center.
- Created a Great Streets program to foster livelier, walkable, mixed-use, multi-modal corridors and centers.
- Revitalized neighborhood planning efforts.
- Requested the revision of the Tower/Unser Sector Development Plan and expanded the effort to address problems in other areas of the Southwest Mesa.
- Brought neighborhood representatives of the West Side and North Valley together to try to forge a plan for Montano Road with the assistance of transportation planners and engineers.
- Helped create a Memorandum of Understanding to clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Master Developer and the City through the Alvarado Transportation Center Task Force. The Task Force approved a new multifamily project that will offer 20% affordable units.
- Issued requests for proposals to review the Police Oversight Commission process.
- Issued requests for proposals to develop new zones and design standards prescribed by the Planned Growth Strategy.
- Provided funding and direction to initiate the 4th Street Corridor Plan.
- Provided funding and direction to initiate development of a Design Overlay Zone on Menaul Boulevard.
- Provided funding and direction to develop a Street Design Plan for Carlisle Boulevard from Interstate 40 to Montgomery.
- Negotiated design improvements to the subdivisions at 98th street and Interstate 40.
- Initiated a Transportation Feasibility Study of the 4th Street and Montano Road Intersection.
- Participated in hiring consultant to review and recommend options for sharing the costs and operations of the Metropolitan Detention Center.

<b><i>PRIORITY OBJECTIVES</i></b>
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**PUBLIC SAFETY GOAL: CITIZEN ARE SAFE, FEEL SAFE AND SECURE, AND HAVE TRUST AND SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTAINING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT.**

- **OBJECTIVE 15.** Secure consultants, form a management team, and conduct a strategic plan for drug addiction treatment programming for people booked at MDC addressing such issues as the nature of treatment programs; the client groups appropriate for the treatment programs; the size of the treatment populations for the programs; integration of other portions of the criminal justice system into this programming including the police / sheriffs departments, the courts, the District Attorney and the Public Defender offices; and the budgetary impacts of addressing the drug treatment needs of these individuals. The strategic plan shall include addressing the capacity of City drug treatment programs to respond to the extent and nature of need identified for individuals booked at MDC with drug abuse problems, as well as programs provided by other service providers for this client group. The strategic plan shall include recommendations in a report to the ABCGC, the Mayor, and City Council by the end of FY/06.
- **OBJECTIVE 18.** Coordinate with the City’s legislative delegation, the Metro Court, and the District Court to reduce the current City subsidy of more than \$700,000 to support Pre-Trial Services for these state agencies.

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**PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE GOAL:** ENSURE THAT ALL EXISTING COMMUNITIES ARE ADEQUATELY AND EFFICIENTLY SERVED WITH WELL-PLANNED, COORDINATED, AND MAINTAINED SEWER, STORM, WATER AND ROAD SYSTEMS AND AN INTEGRATED MULTI-MODAL REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. ENSURE THAT NEW DEVELOPMENT IS EFFICIENTLY INTEGRATED INTO EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURES AND THAT THE COSTS ARE BALANCED WITH THE REVENUES GENERATED.

- OBJECTIVE 21. The Alvarado Task Force shall review the following issues and determine whether these items have been charged appropriately to the Alvarado Metropolitan Redevelopment Project Capital Account: 1) cost of the fire wall between the Gold Street parking facility and the Gold Street Lofts for which Parking Division paid, and 2) operating losses from the Gold Street parking facility including, but not limited to, the \$540,000 for parking validations in FY/06 plus such losses in all previous years based on the HDIC master agreement. The ATF also shall address when the parking validation system will be reviewed next.

**SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GOAL:** GUIDE GROWTH TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE COMMUNITY'S ECONOMIC VITALITY AND CREATE A VARIETY OF LIVABLE, SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT ALBUQUERQUE.

- OBJECTIVE 14. A large amount of the Downtown area is used as surface parking. Surface parking represents an underutilized resource, an impediment to redeveloping Downtown, and a barrier to creating an active and vital place. The Planning Department, Real Property Division of the Legal Department, and City Council Services shall inventory City surface parking lots Downtown and, with the assistance of a qualified real estate appraiser and an advisory committee of infill developers, shall develop and issue an RFP or RFI to obtain bids to redevelop these properties. Priority shall be given to higher density residential uses and to mixed use projects. City land may constitute an equity investment in the redevelopment projects and any development agreement that calls for this participation shall include provisions for repayment of the City's investment. This project shall be consistent with the provision of the HDIC development agreement. The Purchasing Ordinance shall guide the issuance of the RFP/RFI, establishment of a Selection Advisory Committee, and selection of a winning proposal or proposals. The real estate appraiser and project advisory committee also shall review and comment upon the submittals. Final selection of redevelopment proposals will be made by the City Council.
- OBJECTIVE 15. Surface parking in the Downtown area represents an underutilized resource. Redevelopment of Downtown into an active and inviting place ultimately will involve the reuse of these surface parking lots into projects that will result in a balance among office uses, business and personal services, diverse residential options, and entertainment in an attractive and safe pedestrian environment. The City Planning Department and City Council Services shall inventory these privately held surface parking lots and identify public-private partnership options for redeveloping them. This project shall be consistent with the provision of the HDIC development agreement. Techniques used elsewhere to encourage the redevelopment of surface parking lots shall be identified. In the interim prior to the redevelopment of these properties, techniques for improving the visual and pedestrian quality of these lots shall be identified such as landscaping, paseos, lighting, public art, and so on also shall be identified. Landscape design assistance may be needed to carry out this work. A report of the project and recommended implementing legislation shall be submitted to the City Council by the beginning of the second quarter, FY/06.
- OBJECTIVE 17. Create a task force, comprised of City staff, the Mid Region Council of Governments, the Albuquerque Water Utility Authority, APS, business groups, neighborhood associations, and other interested citizen organizations to develop an integrated "Great Neighborhoods, Great Streets, Great Schools" plan for consideration in the FY/07 budget. Submit a report, including cost and funding source options, to Mayor and City Council by the end of the second quarter, FY/06.